

Princely Gifts to the Chairmen of Committees in Congress.

(Direct examination by Mr. Givens.) Q.—You reside at Wilmington, Delaware? A.—I do.
Q.—You are a stockholder in the corporation known as the Credit Mobilier of America? A.—Yes, sir.
Q.—You have been for several years? A.—Yes, sir.
Q.—Do you remember when your original subscription was made? A.—I think 1865. I don't recollect the exact date. I could have known that by referring to my certificate.
Q.—Where was their office at that time? A.—The principal office in name has always been in Philadelphia. The principal office in fact was in New York.
Q.—The books were kept in New York? A.—The books were kept there and the business was transacted there.
Q.—The officers stayed there? A.—Yes, sir.

Q.—What was the object of that? A.—Merely that I had not agreed with Fant that I should give my draft, but that the company should give their own draft, and that he might have notice that the draft was coming, so that if his finances were at all out of sorts he could make them good; \$25,000 is not a trifle to be passed by indifferently.

A. I don't recollect when that increase made was; there have been two increases made—there have been three increases. The first apportionment of the Credit Mobilier was a million.

Q. After this interval, which you say was in the latter part of May, 1864, are you able to remember now of what the stock consisted of—how many shares of stock subscribed for? A. I do not. I do not remember. It was under two

Q.—Because between this letter and the power of attorney that had passed, this draft had gone to Richmond and then back to H. G. Faut again? A.—That is the second letter, the one prepared

